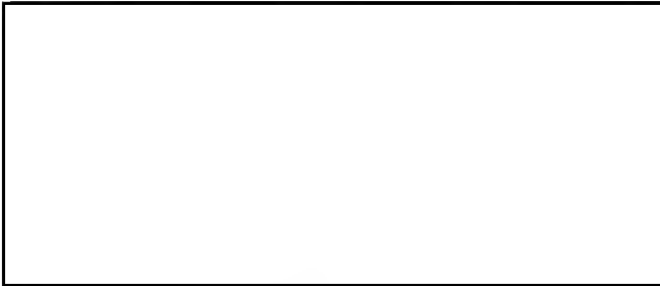


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4 March 1949



I apologize for having delayed so long in replying to your letter of 1 February, but for a while I was away, and also it took some time to get an answer from the Army. We have just received an answer from the Army Career Management Branch, saying that they will insist that you complete an overseas tour before receiving an assignment in the Zone of the Interior, and that, if you give up your post [redacted] you will be assigned to another overseas station. Of course, that obviates any chance of your assignment to the Central Intelligence Agency.

I am sorry that I am not the bearer of better news, but this was the best I could do, and I trust that you will very rapidly pull out of your physical worries.

With very best wishes, please believe me,

Sincerely,

Signed & dispatched by airmail 4/Mar 49

R. H. Hillenkoetter  
Rear Admiral, USN  
Director of Central  
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